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PART I.

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT.

Patta Book Form.

READ—

Government Order No. R. 6704-13—L. R. 330-20-68, dated 31st May 1922, passing orders directing the reduction in size of the Patta Book.

2. Subject No. 15 of the Representative Assembly Session of June 1926, regarding the size and free supply of the Patta Books.

3. Correspondence ending with letter No. C. 370—26, dated 6th August 1926, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, furnishing his views in the matter.

ORDER NO. R. 2140-9—L. R. 66-26-28, DATED 2ND OCTOBER 1926.

During the Representative Assembly Sessions of June 1926, Mr. Venkataswami Gowda of Malur Taluk proposed that the size of the Patta may be reduced and that it may be issued in a small book form, well bound and stitched, and that its price may be raised to four annas per copy. Messrs. Kesaviah and Hanumantha Rao proposed that the book should be supplied free of cost.

2. The Revenue Commissioner who was consulted in the matter, suggests:—

(i) that the size of the present Patta Form which is convenient and suitable needs no change;

(ii) that the smaller sized book (priced 9 pies) may be dispensed with, the larger one (priced 1 anna) being retained, that a thin cloth cover would add to the convenience and that the price may then be raised to 1½ or even 2 annas a copy;

(iii) that the note (5), *viz.*, "a year's demand and collection should be written on each page," printed on the last page of the form, may be omitted; and

(iv) that the book need not be supplied free of cost.

3. The Superintendent, Government Printing, who was consulted, states that it is possible to print and supply Patta Books containing 32 pages each, with a cloth cover like the Savings Bank Pass Book, at four annas a copy.

4. Government agree with the Revenue Commissioner that the note (5) printed on the last page of the Patta form, may be omitted to enable the poorer classes to use the book for several years, that the book need not be supplied, free of cost, and that the larger sized book may be supplied with a cloth cover to those who require it, and its price then raised. As regards the Revenue Commissioner's suggestion for the discontinuance of the smaller sized book (priced nine pies), Government, consider that as all Patta forms have to be paid for, it is not desirable to abolish the lower priced form.

5. Government are accordingly pleased to direct, in modification of their order of 31st May 1922 read above, that the note (5) on the last page of the form be omitted in future, and that the book now priced at one anna, be printed and supplied in future, with 32 pages, neatly bound in long cloth, and priced at four annas per copy. The smaller Patta Book, (priced nine pies), will be continued for the use of those who desire a cheaper form.

6. The Superintendent, Government Printing, is requested to have the books printed accordingly, and supply them on future indents. The one anna forms that are in stock in various offices and with the Superintendent may also be sold till the stock is exhausted and need not be reprinted.

7. The Revenue Commissioner is requested to communicate the above orders of Government to the Representative Assembly Members who brought the subject.

P. G. D'SOUZA,
Chief Secretary to Government.

GENERAL SECRETARIAT.

Assistant Surgeons and Sub-Assistant Surgeons.

READ—

Government Order No. G. 679-80—Medl. 69-16-4, dated the 13th July 1918, passing orders on the reorganization of the Medical Department and fixing therein the minimum pay of Sub-Assistant Surgeons at Rs. 35 and that of Assistant Surgeons, Second Grade, at Rs. 120 per mensem.

2. Government Order No. G. 19965-6—Medl. 114-17-4, dated the 7th March 1919, directing that the minimum pay of Sub-Assistant Surgeons be raised from Rs. 35 to Rs. 45 per mensem.

3. Government Order No. Fl. 6-55—S. & A. 5-21-11, dated 9th October 1921, sanctioning additions to pay, in the case of certain class of Government servants, in lieu of high price allowances.

4. Letter No. G. C. 245, dated the 30th January 1926, from the Senior Surgeon in Mysore, submitting proposals for the revision of the scale of pay of Sub-Assistant Surgeons.

5. Letter No. G. C. 246, dated the 30th January 1926, from the same officer, submitting proposals for the revision of the scale of pay of Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons.

6. Correspondence ending with letter No. G. C. 246-5, dated the 19th July 1926, from the Senior Surgeon on the same subject.

ORDER No. G. 3645-6—MED. 101-25-11, DATED 5TH OCTOBER 1926.

The question of revising the scale of the pay of Sub-Assistant Surgeons and of Assistant Surgeons has been under the consideration of Government from some time past.

2. Government are pleased to direct that the scale of pay of Sub-Assistant Surgeons be revised as follows:—

First class———	6	Sub-Assistant Surgeons on	Rs. 125-5-150
Second class———	18	,, ,, ,,	,, 100-5-125
Third class———	191	,, ,, ,,	,, 50-5-100

3. There will be two promotion examinations, one before promotion to pay of Rs. 75 falls due, and another for promotion to the higher grade on Rs. 100-5-125. Promotion to the class on Rs. 125-5-150 will depend on proved merit and capacity, the selection being restricted to those who have reached the maximum pay of Rs. 125 in the lower class on Rs. 100-5-125.